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## **CITY ISSUES REMINDER ABOUT MAINTAINING LOTS FOR UPCOMING MOWING SEASON**

INDIANAPOLIS – The Department of Code Enforcement (DCE) wants to remind citizens that the City's high weeds and grass program will begin once again this season.

In the coming weeks the City of Indianapolis will dispatch inspectors to visit neighborhoods that have had the highest rates of weeds and grass violations. DCE inspectors and mowing vendors will assess various areas around the City in order to encourage property owners to properly maintain properties and lots, which can also help in minimizing blight in neighborhoods. Vegetation over 12 inches in height is considered high weeds and grass.

Property owners who receive a notice of violation have five days from the date the notice is mailed to mow their overgrown property. If a property owner fails to mow the property, the City will send a mowing vendor to mow the property and will bill the property owner for the service at a rate of at least \$353 per lot.

Residents may report a high weeds and grass violation by calling the Mayor's Action Center (MAC) at 327-4MAC, by logging on to RequestIndy at [www.indy.gov/requestindy](http://www.indy.gov/requestindy) or by using the RequestIndy Mobile Application.

More information about the City's high weeds and grass program is available at [www.indy.gov/weeds](http://www.indy.gov/weeds).

For additional information about the Department of Code enforcement, please visit [www.indy.gov/dce](http://www.indy.gov/dce).

*The mission of the Department of Code Enforcement (DCE) is to improve the quality of life in the City of Indianapolis through strategic application of civil code regulation; effective licensing, permitting, inspection, enforcement, and abatement practices; and local government oversight of property safety and maintenance, business, event, professional, and construction industries.*

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